

BOY CORN-RAISERS RECEIVE PRAISES

Chief Executive Urges Them to Continue as Champion Growers of South.

Washington, December 14.—"The South should take a lesson from you boys, and when it does, the South will not have to depend upon 15 cent cotton. I congratulate you, every one. Continue your good work, and make the South independent of the price of cotton."

This was the message from President Taft, received by the champion boy corn growers of the South, when they were received at the White House this morning. The President was greatly interested in the workings of the boys' corn clubs, and asked many questions. He showed a knowledge of agriculture in the South that was surprising to the experts who accompanied the boys.

The President was most interested in the cost of production, and when told that some of the boys had raised more than 200 bushels of corn to the acre, at an authenticated cost of less than 10 cents a bushel, he congratulated them. He told the boys they should be proud of the fact that there were many big planters in the South who might well take a lesson from them.

Professor Bradford Knap, leader of the boys' corn club movement; O. B. Martin, special agent of the Department of Agriculture, in charge of the clubs in the South; O. H. Benson, of the Department of Agriculture, and Congressman Gordon Lee, of Georgia, who is interested in 1903 boy members in his district, accompanied the lads. From the White House the boys went to the Capitol, where they spent the afternoon.

TURKISH-ITALIAN WAR RUNS INTO MILLIONS

Both Countries Are Suffering Greatly While Hostilities Are Carried On.

Malta, December 14.—A curious calculation has been made here. It is thought to be roughly correct, and may be found instructive and interesting. Italy is believed to have sent considerably over 50,000 soldiers to Tripoli. There are 4,000 in Tripoli town and 20,000 in the trenches around about 20,000 at Bengazi, about 21,000 at Derna, Homs and Tobruk, or about 55,000 altogether. In these various places, the difference between 50,000 and 55,000, or 5,000, represents the wastage of war in the Italian dead, wounded and sick. But, according to Italian official, semi-official and unofficial statements, three times as many Moslems have been killed and incapacitated as Italians—say, therefore, 15,000. The conflict in Tripoli has consequently already brought death or ruin to 60,000 combatants, and perhaps a quarter as many non-combatants have died or are crippled by sickness, exile and loss of means of living. The grand total of sufferers up to date may be thought to amount to 75,000.

The cost of the expedition for the Italian fleet and army at 200 millions of lire has been reckoned to be nearly \$150,000,000. The expense of the war for the Moslems must approximate the expenses for Italians. Damage to buildings and land must represent to Tripoli the loss of a good many millions, and to the displacement of business and industry, the loss of a very heavy but incalculable negative sum. The costs of the war, added together, for the two contending parties are reckoned at \$375,000,000, and the situation of the opposing armies is a stalemate. The Italians are weary; they can be generous. Turkey fights heroically for what has long been undeniably here, and it is considered here that the time for an honorable compromise has surely arrived.

DARING STEEPLEJACKS

They Fly Their Trade 710 Feet Above Street Level.

New York, December 14.—A daring pole-climber, 710 feet above the street level, perched on the shoulders of an attendant, who was standing on another's shoulders, formed a trio of steeplejacks to-day declared to have held their trade at a greater altitude than ever before reached by members of their profession. Their leader calmly proceeded with his task of gliding the tip-top of the city's highest tower, overlooking Midway.

"No trick at all," the chief of the steeplejacks said when he quit work. "If I could have rigged a boy's chair, I could have done it. The work is slow, while before beginning with this trip there would have been some variety to the job. It was the highest job a steeplejack could do, but height is of no consequence to men in our business."

ALL PASSENGERS HAVE BEEN LANDED

Tangier, December 14.—All the passengers of the wrecked steamer Delhi have now been landed. Only one of the passengers was injured in the difficult task of rescue. He having a leg broken. Three Lascars, members of the Delhi's crew, were drowned by the capsizing of a boat.

The breeches buoy was in operation all of to-day, with Rear-Admiral Craddock up to his waist in water directing the rescue work. Progress was slow, and unless the sea moderates, permitting the use of the boats, a large number of the crew will be obliged to remain aboard the wreck, which is beginning to fill rapidly.

KING REVIEWS TROOPS

Delhi, British India, December 14.—King George to-day reviewed 50,000 British and native troops. He held an investiture in the royal camp to-night, bestowing orders on ninety-three knights and 1,000 companions. The Queen witnessed both the review and bestowal of orders.

During the investiture some alarm was caused by the burning of a small official tent. The fire was purely accidental, and was due to a bicycle lamp which fell against the canvas.

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EXILE IS BACK IN HIS OWN COUNTRY

Penang Straits Settlements, December 14.—Dr. Sun Yatzen, the Chinese reformer, and General Homer Lea, the American, who, it is alleged, will take charge of the military government in China, landed here to-day. Dr. Sun Yatzen declined to grant an interview, preferring to reserve his judgment on the situation in China, and Lea, desiring to commit himself to no definite policy until he was in full possession of the facts and acquainted with the intentions and views of the reformers.

Revolutionary Fever Spreads.

Calcutta, December 14.—The revolutionary fever in China has crossed the border provinces and is spreading in Tibet. The rebels have driven out of the town of Shera the Chinese garrisons there. The Chinese imperial troops made a stand at Gyazang, a walled and fortified town on the trade route between Darjiling and Lhasa. The capital, but were defeated by the Tibetans.

Back From Exile.

San Francisco, Cal., December 14.—For fifteen years an exile from his native land, Dr. Sun Yatzen, who probably will be chosen president of the new republic, will arrive at Canton to-morrow. Advances received to-day by the Chinese Yai Si said that Canton is preparing to give Dr. Sun a remarkable welcome. A holiday has been proclaimed and the day will be given up to celebration.

From Canton, Dr. Sun will proceed to Shanghai, where a peace conference is in progress.

ANOTHER COMBINE

Larvae of House Fly and Eggs of Hookworm Working Together.

Washington, December 14.—A live and congenial partnership exists between the larvae of the house fly and eggs of the hookworm, according to Dr. Woods Hutchinson, of New York, who addressed the American Civic association convention here to-day on the results and progress of the "swat the fly" campaign inaugurated by the association last year. He enumerated a long list of diseases, including typhoid fever, tuberculosis and other germ-borne scourges, which are spread by the fly. The house fly, he said, could not exist away from human habitation, and if deprived of breeding places would soon be driven out of existence. Edward Hatch, Jr., of New York, chairman of the fly-killing committee, reported the progress of the campaign during the year, and described the methods and results of various municipal and newspaper "swatting" contests. Kansas, he said, led all the States in fly killing.

President J. Horace McFarland, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Treasurer William B. Rowland, of Treasurers and Secretary Richard A. W. of Washington, were re-elected to-day.

TO CELEBRATE PEACE

Centenary Will Be Observed by England and United States.

London, December 14.—A meeting held under the auspices of the parliamentary arbitration committee perfected to-day, an organization to cooperate with the American national committee for the celebration of the centenary of peace among English-speaking races and to commemorate the signing of the treaty of Ghent in 1814. The celebration will take place, according to plans, in the United States, Canada and England during the years 1914, 1915 and 1916. Earl Grey, former Governor-General of Canada, has elected president of the society, and Baron Shaw, of Dunfermline, chairman of the executive committee, which comprises government officials, church dignitaries and scientists.

VIRGINIANS SEE TAFT

Slomp and Martin Lead Delegation to White House.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Washington, D. C., December 14.—Congressmen Slomp and Alvah Martin to-day headed a delegation of Virginia Republicans who called at the White House. Among those who saw the President were practically all the leading Republicans of the State, and the President and Mrs. Taft were especially well represented. Asked as to the purpose of the visit, those who had planned it said it merely to let the President see some of the Republicans in Virginia and to assure him of their support. They received a cordial welcome at the hands of the President, who assured them of his pleasure in meeting them. It is understood that no particular Federal matters were brought up.

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POLITICS OF IDEAS BEST VOTE-GETTER

Criticism of Tammany and Philadelphia Machines Before Reform League.

Philadelphia, Pa., December 14.—That the "bone-hunting" and "coal-hod" politics of Tammany Hall and the Philadelphia Republican "machine" are not good vote-getters when opposed by the politics of ideas, was declared by Assistant Attorney-General Winfield T. Denison, of Washington, in a speech before the National Civil Service Reform League, which opened its annual meeting here to-day. He cited the success of Justice, Cleveland, Murray, Roosevelt, La Follette, Stinson, Hearst and others in getting large votes with the use of patronage. The campaign to place all Federal employes under civil service regulations and take them entirely out of politics was urged by the report of the executive council, delivered by Chairman Richard H. Ross, of Boston, and in the address of Charles W. Eliot, the president of the league, who is now in Ceylon, which was read at to-night's session.

President Eliot points out that while 200,000 places are now in the competitive class, there are more than 1,000,000 better paid places still filled by the patronage method, he said.

Under existing conditions office-holders, national State or local party organizations and committees on credentials and resolutions, nominate conventions, cut party primary elections, and take care in the selection of the membership of legislative bodies. The Federal office-holders' machine, particularly active in the Southern States, is organized in Washington, and more than once a Cabinet officer has been the result of head of it. It may easily hold the balance of power in the national convention of the party in office, and control both the nominations and declarations of policy. State and city conventions often exhibit like phenomena.

CONVICT'S CHRISTMAS GIFT

Sends Ten Dollars to Make Some Children Happy.

Chicago, December 14.—A \$10 bill given by a convict in the Wisconsin State Penitentiary at Waupun, to be used in buying a Christmas present for at least one poor family, was received in a letter sent to a morning newspaper here by Daniel Woodward, warden of the prison.

The prisoner sent a few instructions regarding the manner in which he wanted the money spent. He would like to have a Christmas tree provided for the family, and the balance to be expended for a Christmas dinner and presents to the children.

PRINCE TO MAKE BIPLANE

Kaiser's Brother Said to Be Organizing Company.

Berlin, December 14.—Several newspapers assert that Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the Emperor, who holds an aerial pilot's certificate, together with Dr. Max Predohl, former burgomaster of Hamburg, are organizing a company to manufacture biplanes on a system invented by Max Predohl. The capital of the company is said to be \$125,000.

RELUCTANT BRIDE WEDDED.

Lady Constance Foljambe and the Rev. Mr. Hawkins Married at Last.

London, December 14.—Lady Constance Foljambe, who disappointed the Rev. Mr. Hawkins last July by not marrying him and going away to the country instead, is now Lady Constance Hawkins. The couple were married on Monday.

The marriage was to have taken place on July 3 last at the fashionable club of St. Peter, Eaton Square, London, and a big party of society people had gathered to witness the nuptials of the half-sister of the Earl of Liverpool, controller of the King's household, and the clergyman.

After a wait at the church of about an hour the minister sent a note to the Earl of Liverpool, who replied that his sister had gone shopping earlier in the day and hadn't returned home. Lady Constance had done equally startling things before, having at one time climbed the steeple of the Whitehall Church. The bridegroom is forty-six, his income is about \$15,000, last summer the size of the minister's income was believed to have had something to do with the disappearance of Lady Constance.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia—Rain Friday and probably Saturday; not much change in temperature; northeast winds; brisk overcast portion, becoming variable Saturday.
For North Carolina—Rain Friday and probably Saturday; variable winds, brisk overcast.

SPECIAL LOCAL DATA FOR YESTERDAY.

12 noon temperature	41
Maximum temperature	44
P. M. minimum	38
Minimum temperature up to 8	39
Mean temperature	40
Normal temperature	44
Excess in temperature	4
Deficiency in temperature	3
March 1 in temperature since	114
Accum. excess in temperature	114
since January 1	15
Rainfall last twenty-four hours	.01
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1	7.84
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since	7.85
January 1	7.85
Local observation W. P. M. yesterday	7.84
Temperature	40
Humidity	92
Wind—direction	Northwest
Wind—velocity	8
Weather	Cloudy
Rainfall last twelve hours	.01

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place	Ther. H. T. L. T. Weather.
Asheville	40 46 41 Rain
Baltimore	40 46 41 Rain
Boston	42 41 34 P. cloudy
Buffalo	36 38 32 Snow
Savannah	68 68 66 Rainy
Charleston	52 53 42 Clear
Chicago	38 38 34 Clear
Denver	30 36 10 Clear
Galveston	30 32 26 Cloudy
Hatteras	60 60 52 Cloudy
Havre	32 40 50 Cloudy
Jacksonville	70 78 64 Clear
Kansas City	40 40 30 Clear
Louisville	42 41 38 Rain
Montgomery	66 70 60 Cloudy
New Orleans	68 76 64 Cloudy
New York	42 44 36 Rain
Norfolk	50 52 41 Rain
Oklahoma	40 48 32 P. cloudy
Pittsburgh	40 42 31 Rain
Raleigh	42 44 36 Rain
St. Louis	36 36 30 Cloudy
St. Paul	36 40 26 Cloudy
San Francisco	64 62 50 P. cloudy
Spokane	58 58 56 Clear
Tampa	74 80 70 Clear
Washington	40 40 36 Cloudy
Wilmington	42 42 30 Cloudy
Wynneville	34 38 31 Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Month	Day	Time
Dec. 15, 1911.	TID.	
Sun	7:19	Morning, 12:37
8:00	4:51	Evening, 12:56

ASQUITH OPPOSES VOTES FOR WOMEN

British Premier Expresses Sympathy With Aim of Anti-Suffragists.

London, December 14.—The anti-suffragists have been roused to action by the recent violent demonstrations of the suffragettes. An important delegation of the National Anti-Woman's Suffrage Society, under the leadership of Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, was received by Premier Asquith at his official residence on Downing Street this morning. The object of the delegation was to obtain the prime minister's co-operation in blocking the threatened enfranchisement of women by means of an amendment to the government's forthcoming franchise reform bill, which includes the granting of votes to women.

Mr. Asquith expressed his hearty sympathy with the object of the delegation, and agreed with them that to grant the franchise to women would be a political mistake of a very disastrous kind. The premier said that he did not reject the suggestion that a referendum should be held on the subject of women's suffrage, but he feared that the verdict of such a referendum would not be accepted by the suffragists. He was permitted to vote in the referendum.

Mr. Asquith thought that public opinion in the House of Commons was not against such a gigantic change, but a strong factor in the opposition to the franchise bill, including the women's vote, was carried through the House of Commons.

MORO OUTLAWS KILLED

American Scouts in Philippines Engage in Sharp Encounter.

Lanao, Mindanao, P. I., December 14.—Forty-two Moro outlaws were killed here this week in an engagement with a detachment of American scouts. There were no fatalities on the American side. The engagement took place in connection with the campaign for suppressing organized brigandage among the Moros.

The disarmament of the entire Moro population of Mindanao and Jolo was ordered by the American military authorities three months ago, following a series of murders of Americans on Americans. Since that time the troops have been actively engaged in carrying out the order. Most of the chiefs have not undertaken any obligation to protect the integrity of Persia. The Russian government, continued the Foreign Secretary, has demanded that Mr. Shuster should be withdrawn. The British government had said that it had no objection to Mr. Shuster's withdrawal, but that it was not prepared to follow his advice.

WONT RETURN WINNINGS.

Other Newport Clubs May Drop Men Caught Cheating at Pottery.

Newport, December 14.—Chairman William P. Clarke of the board of governors of the Newport Country Club has not undertaken any obligation to protect the integrity of Persia. The Russian government, continued the Foreign Secretary, has demanded that Mr. Shuster should be withdrawn. The British government had said that it had no objection to Mr. Shuster's withdrawal, but that it was not prepared to follow his advice.

PRINCE VERSUS POLICEMAN.

Kaiser's Son Wins in a Dispute as to the Speed of a Motor Car.

Berlin, December 14.—A chauffeur employed by Prince August Wilhelm, the Kaiser's fourth son, was recently fined for exceeding the speed limit on a motor car. The prince's car was going twenty-five miles an hour.

The prince appealed, and the case was heard at Potsdam to-day in his favor. The prince on oath directly contradicted the policeman, and said the car was making only nine and one-half miles an hour. The court decided that the policeman had confused his data, or that his stop-watch was not doing its duty on the occasion in question.

WANTS LAND SHE GAVE AWAY.

Mrs. Lockwood Sues Daughter-in-Law for Property Worth \$200,000.

Greenwich, Conn., December 14.—Mrs. Hanford Lockwood, eighty years old, has brought suit against Daisy L. Lockwood, wife of Mrs. Lockwood's son, William Fletcher Hanford Lockwood, to recover property worth \$200,000. The daughter-in-law, who is now in Middletown, N. Y., in her complaint Mrs. Lockwood says she had the utmost confidence and trust in her daughter-in-law, and after her husband's death she was induced by her son and a son-in-law to deliver to the defendant the property for which she sues.

STADIUM TO SEAT 100,000.

Chicago to Build One for Land and Lake Events at Grant Park.

Chicago, December 14.—A stadium which will seat more than 100,000 people is to be a feature of the general scheme of beautifying the lake front, according to an announcement made by the South Park Commission. Plans have been drawn by architects and are in the hands of the commission. The stadium will be located so that spectators will have a view of athletic contests, and tournaments, and other outdoor gatherings in Grant Park, and also water events on Lake Michigan.

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GREY EXPLAINS PERSIAN BROT

London, December 14.—Referring to the Persian question during a discussion of foreign affairs in the House of Commons to-day, Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey said the Anglo-Russian agreement was not intended to impair the independence and integrity of Persia. A declaration to that effect had been made to the Persian government, but, he added, Great Britain was not undertaking any obligation to protect the integrity of Persia. The Russian government, continued the Foreign Secretary, has demanded that Mr. Shuster should be withdrawn. The British government had said that it had no objection to Mr. Shuster's withdrawal, but that it was not prepared to follow his advice.

After what had happened he agreed with Russia's demand that the consent of the British and Russian legations should be obtained for the appointment of foreign advisers to Persia.

In conclusion, Sir Edward said that as Persia was unable to pay an indemnity he hoped Russia would be induced not to press that demand.

Philip Edward Morrill, Liberal, said that a power existed for taking away the independence of Persia, then that advanced in the case of Mr. Shuster had never been put forward in the House of Commons. The exalt crime committed by Shuster, said Mr. Morrill, was that he did not call at the Russian legation as often as he ought. The Russian correspondent of the Times says that a grave situation has arisen at Shiraz, capital of the province of Fars. The chief Mullah, Mirza Ibrahim, has stirred popular fanaticism against the British. He has declared that the Imperial bank notes were unclean, and as a result they are being presented at the bank, where, for payment, while the shopkeepers refuse to sell even the smallest article to the Indian troops. Leaders of the religious bodies are urgent in their resistance to Russia, and are preaching a holy war. The Cabinet refused to resign, and it is difficult to see how Russia can obtain a Pyrrhic victory against the frenzied population in the present state of mind.

OPPOSE A CARNEGIE GIFT.

Some New Rochelle Citizens Want the Town to Pay for Library.

New Rochelle, N. Y., December 14.—The people of New Rochelle are divided on the proposal to build a new library building with a fund donated in part by Andrew Carnegie.

Some time ago Mayor Harry E. Colwell accepted an offer of \$60,000 from Mr. Carnegie, which was met with opposition at the time. Last night, when the Public Library Board asked the City Council for an appropriation of \$10,000 to add to the gift for a \$100,000 library building, H. DeW. Bodmer and James R. Butterworth, representatives of the Citizens' and Taxpayers' Association, opposed the proposal. They said many citizens preferred that the city should pay the entire cost.

13 HIS UNLUCKY NUMBER.

Hutch Made Promise With 13 at Table, and Lost Property on Dec. 13.

Greenwich, Conn., December 14.—Charles G. Hutch, who has lived at Byron Shore for half a century, declared he is a believer in the unlucky number 13, owing to a decision handed down by the Supreme Court, by which his seven children got his property.

On New Year's, 1911, he gave a family dinner, and thirteen sat at the table. His children allege that he gave them authority to have a deed drawn conveying all his property to them, reserving a life interest. It was read to him by an attorney, and he signed

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